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1. SUMMARY. ELEVEN VOLAGS (SEE PARAS 2 THROUGH 12 BELOW) ARE CURRENTLY ACTIVE IN AFGHAN REFUGEE RELIEF IN PAKISTAN. NINE IN THE NORTH WEST FRONTIER PROVINCE AND TWO IN BALUCHISTAN. THE MAIN FOCUS OF THEIR ACTIVITIES IS IN THE MEDICAL FIELD, WHERE THEY HAVE BEGUN INTRODUCING PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES TO COMPLEMENT CURATIVE OPERATIONS. MANY VOLAG PERSONNEL TOLD REFUGEE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT OFFICER JOSEPH GETTIER WHEN HE WAS PREPARING THIS REPORT THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE MORE INVOLVED WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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RELIEF AND TREATMENT OF WAR VICTIMS INSIDE AFGHANISTAN.
AT LEAST TWO OF THE VOLAGS VISITED ARE NOW ACTIVE IN
SENDING RELIEF INSIDE AFGHANISTAN. UPDATED INFORMATION
ON EXTERNALLY FUNDED VOLUNTARY AGENCIES CURRENTLY WORKING
WITH AFGHAN REFUGEES HERE FOLLOWS. FORMAT INDICATED BELOW

A) NAME OF VOLUNTARY AGENCY
B) NAME AND NATIONALITY OF ADMINISTRATOR
C) ADDRESS

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D) TELEPHONE

E) STAFF

F) NARRATIVE

END SUMMARY.

2. A) ACTION INTERNATIONALE CONTRE LA FAIM (AICF)

B) ADMINISTRATOR: MARK NORMAND (FRANCE)

C) AL GALANI ROAD, POB 319, QUETTA

D) TELEPHONE 74478

E) STAFF: EXPAT: 4 PROFESSIONALS; AFGHAN/PAKISTANI: 47

F) SINCE 1982, THE EEC HAS FUNDED AICF. BEGINNING IN EARLY C.Y. 1984, UNHCR WILL UNDERWRITE THE AGENCY AND ITS

ACTIVITIES. AICF RENDERS SPECIALIZED CARE TO REFUGEE WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN THE SURKHAB (PISHIN DISTRICT) AND GHAZGHAI AND KATWAI CAMPS (LORALAI DISTRICT) IN BALUCHISTAN AND TO PAKISTANI WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN ADJACENT PAKISTANI COMMUNITIES. CULTURAL OBSTACLES INHERENT IN THE MEDICAL CARE OF AFGHAN WOMEN, AND THE EXTREME DIFFICULTY OF RECRUITING FEMALE PHYSICIANS TO WORK IN BALUCHISTAN ACCOUNT FOR THE VERY HIGH PREMIUM UNHCR PLACES ON AICF'S WORK. WERE THEY NOT IN THE PROVINCE, A SIZEABLE FRACTION OF THE REFUGEE POPULATION WOULD BE WITHOUT ADEQUATE MEDICAL CARE. BECAUSE THE EEC HAS DEEMED THE EMERGENCY PHASE OF THE AFGHAN REFUGEE SITUATION TO BE OVER, IT TERMINATED ITS FUNDING OF AICF IN OCTOBER OF 1983. UNHCR'S FUNDING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BEGINS IN EARLY 1984. IN THE MEANTIME, AICF HAS BEEN FORCED TO CLOSE ONE WOMEN'S CLINIC IN PISHIN (SERVING 150,000 REFUGEES) AND IS EXPERIENCING A DESPERATE SHORTAGE OF CASH WHILE CARRYING ON WITH ITS COMMITMENT TO THE SPECIALIZED MEDICAL CARE OF AFGHAN REFUGEE WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

3. A) AUSTRIAN RELIEF COMMITTEE (ARC)

B) ADMINISTRATOR: NASIM JAWAD (AFGHAN)

C) #1 TARIQ LANE, PESHAWAR

D) TELEPHONE 76084

E) STAFF: 1 EXPAT VOLUNTEER; 43 AFGHAN PROFESSIONALS, 16 AFGHAN SANITATION WORKERS.

F) THE AUSTRIAN RELIEF COMMITTEE BEGAN OPERATIONS IN PAKISTAN IN 1980. ITS ACTIVITIES STRESS CURATIVE AND PREVENTIVE HEALTH CARE IN THE CAMPS IN THE MARDAN DISTRICT. FUNDING COMES FROM USG (THROUGH CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE) AND FROM AUSTRIAN AND FRG PRIVATE SECTORS. THE ARC IS FINALIZING A FUNDING PROPOSAL FOR A 250 BED FACILITY WHICH WOULD TEACH AFGHAN AMPUTEES AND PARAPLEGICS INCOME GENERATING SKILLS AND WOULD OTHERWISE INCULCATE "SELF-RELIANCE." SCHEME REQUIRES FUNDING OF US DOLS 1.7 MILLION OVER COURSE OF THREE YEARS. ARC WILL SEEK SUPPORT FROM SEVERAL DONORS INCLUDING USG AND THE AMERICAN VOLAGS.

4. A) INTER-AID COMMITTEE (BALUCHISTAN)

B) ADMINISTRATOR: MR. FRED INNIS (U.K.)

C) MISSION COMPOUND, CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL, QUETTA

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D) TELEPHONE 72461
E) STAFF: 11 EXPAT PROFESSIONALS. 21 PAKISTANI/AFGHAN
PROFESSIONALS (EST)
F) INTER-AID DERIVES FUNDING FOR ITS BALUCHISTAN OPERATION
FROM 40 CHURCH AND PRIVATE VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS IN
WESTERN EUROPE, NORTH AMERICA, AND AUSTRALIA. WELL-FUNDED
EQUIPPED AND STAFFED. INTER-AID INVOLVES ITSELF WITH

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SURGICAL SERVICES FOR BOTH MUJAHIDEEN WOUNDED AND AFGHAN
CIVILIANS AND HAS DONATED THREE WINGS TO THE EXISTING
CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL IN QUETTA FOR THAT PURPOSE. INTER-AID
FIELDS MEDICAL TEAMS WHO STAFF CLINICS IN THE REMOTE GIRDI
AND SHIREEN AB CAMPS OF WESTERN BALUCHISTAN. INTER-AID
ALSO CONDUCTS MEDICAL EVACUATION OF WAR WOUNDED FROM THE
AFGHAN BORDER TO TREATMENT CENTERS INCLUDING THE NEW ICRC
HOSPITAL IN QUETTA. THE AGENCY PROVIDES A LARGE VOLUME OF
RELIEF MATERIALS AND MEDICINES TO IN-CAMP REFUGEES AND TO
THE NEEDY JUST ACROSS THE BORDER IN AFGHANISTAN (AN
ACTIVITY THEY SEEK TO EXPAND). INTER-AID BALUCHISTAN IS
HEADED BY A BRITISH CITIZEN WHO ONCE SERVED AS A HIGH
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RANKING POLICE OFFICIAL IN QUETTA. HIS KNOWLEDGE OF THE
PEOPLE, LANGUAGES, CUSTOMS AND GEOGRAPHY OF BALUCHISTAN
IS IMPRESSIVE.

5. A) INTER-AID COMMITTEE (NWFP)
- B) ADMINISTRATOR: MR. HARRISON MASSEY (PAKISTANI)
- C) 1-B CHINAR ROAD, UNIVERSITY TOWN, PESHAWAR
- D) TELEPHONE 41918
- E) STAFF: 1 EXPAT, 41 PAKISTANI/AFGHAN PROFESSIONALS
- F) INTER-AID IS FUNDED THROUGH CHURCH WORLD SERVICE BY A

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USG (STATE DEPARTMENT-RP) GRANT AND BY NUMEROUS PRIVATE SECTOR ORGANIZATIONS IN HOLLAND AND SCANDINAVIA. THE ORGANIZATION IMPLEMENTS A BROAD RANGE OF PROJECTS INCLUDING VOCATIONAL TRAINING (CARPET WEAVING, EMBROIDERY, CARPENTRY), SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT FOR AFGHAN SECONDARY AND COLLEGE STUDENTS AND RELIEF COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION. EMPHASIS REMAINS ON CURATIVE AND PREVENTIVE MEDICAL SERVICES FOR ABOUT 117,000 REFUGEES IN THE MANSEHRA DISTRICT. INTER-AID COMMITTEE ALSO PROVIDES MEDICAL SUPPLIES WHICH ARE USED BY AFGHAN AND OTHER DOCTORS TREATING WAR VICTIMS INSIDE OF AFGHANISTAN.

-G. A) INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE
-B) ADMINISTRATOR: MARK ICE (AMERICAN)
-C) 39 C SAHIBZADA ABDUL QAYYUM ROAD, PESHAWAR
-D) TELEPHONE 41274
-E) EXPAT - 3; AFGHAN AND PAKISTANI PROFESSIONAL 30;
-OTHER LOCAL NATIONAL: 20
-F) IRC BEGAN WORKING WITH AFGHAN REFUGEES IN 1980. ITS ACTIVITIES FOCUS ON CLINICAL CARE AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE IN CAMPS IN THE KOHAT DISTRICT, NWFP. FUNDING COMES FROM USG (DEPARTMENT OF STATE-RP), THE NORWEGIAN REFUGEE COUNCIL, AND FROM PRIVATE DONATIONS IN THE U.S. IRC WILL EMPHASIZE PREVENTIVE HEALTH IN FUTURE ACTIVITIES. TO THAT END IT IS CURRENTLY EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF SCHOLARSHIPS.
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....FOR AFGHAN MEDICAL AND PARA-MEDICAL STUDENTS AT THE NEWLY-ESTABLISHED AGA KHAN MEDICAL UNIVERSITY, KARACHI.

-7. A) SALVATION ARMY
-B) ADMINISTRATOR: DAVID BURROWS (U.K.)
-C) 9-B RAFIQI LANE, PESHAWAR CANTONMENT
-D) TELEPHONE 74901
-E) STAFF: EXPAT 2, AFGHAN AND PAKISTANI 17
-F) SALVATION ARMY (SA) ASSISTANCE TO AFGHAN REFUGEES IS FUNDED BY A USG GRANT, AND BY PRIVATE SECTOR CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE U.S., U.K., N.Z. AND AUSTRALIA. THE SA WORKS AT THE GHAZI CAMPS NEAR TARBELA, NWFP. SA HAD BEEN MOST DIRECTLY INVOLVED WITH PROVIDING CURATIVE MEDICAL CARE AND MEDICAL OUTREACH TO IN-CAMP AFGHAN REFUGEES BUT HAS RECENTLY REDIRECTED EMPHASIS TO PREVENTIVE HEALTH AND SANITATION PROJECTS IN THE NWFP CAMP.
-8. A) SAUDI RED CRESCENT
-B) ADMINISTRATOR: MR. IBRAHIM AL DHUAYAN (SAUDI)
-C) 27-A JAMALUDDIN AFGHANI ROAD, PESHAWAR
-E) STAFF: EXPATS 7; LN AND AFGHAN PROFESSIONALS: 60
-F) FUNDED BY SAUDI PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR DONATIONS, TH SAUDI RED CRESCENT (SRC) OPERATES SIX DISPENSARIES IN THE PESHAWAR AREA AND THREE IN AND AROUND QUETTA, BALUCHISTAN. IN ADDITION, PRINCE SULTAN HAS SPONSORED A HOSPITAL/MOSQUE SCHOOL COMPLEX IN PESHAWAR, AND A MOBILE HOSPITAL EACH FOR THE NWFP AND BALUCHISTAN. WHILE THE THRUST OF SERVICES IS ON MEDICAL ASPECTS, THE SRC ALSO CONTRIBUTES GENEROUS

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9. A) SAVE THE CHILDREN

B) ADMINISTRATOR: BENJAMIN FOOTE (U.K.)

C) SHAMI ROAD (NEXT TO CO-OP), PESHAWAR CANTONMENT

D) TELEPHONE 76657

E) STAFF: 3 EXPAT: 22 AFGHAN AND PAKISTANI PROFESSIONAL

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F) SAVE THE CHILDREN HAS OPERATED IN THE FRONTIER AREA SINCE 1980. IT OPERATES TWO MOBILE AND THREE STATIONARY CLINICS. FUNDS HAVE COME FROM PRIVATE DONATIONS IN U.K., NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA. IN CY-84, UNICEF WILL CONTRIBUTE FUNDS FOR SPECIAL PROGRAM TO TRAIN AFGHAN WORKERS IN PREVENTIVE HEALTH. WHILE CONTINUING TO OPERATE BOTH MOBILE AND STATIONARY CLINICS, SAVE THE CHILDREN WILL SHIFT EMPHASIS FROM CURATIVE TO PREVENTIVE HEALTH CARE IN MONTHS TO COME.

10. A) SERVE

B) ADMINISTRATOR: GORDON MAGNEY (U.S.)

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C) 5 MULBERRY ROAD, UNIVERSITY TOWN, PESHAWAR

D) TELEPHONE 41706

E) STAFF: EXPAT 15, LN PROFESSIONAL 12, ANCILLARY 21

F) SERVE HAS WORKED WITH AFGHAN REFUGEES SINCE 1980. SOURCES OF FUNDING ARE REPORTEDLY CHURCH-RELATED AGENCIES IN NEW ZEALAND, U.K., AUSTRALIA AND USA. ORGANIZATION IS BASED EXCLUSIVELY IN PAKISTAN AND IS STAFFED PRIMARILY BY CHRISTIAN CHURCH VOLUNTEERS FROM U.S., U.K., AND NEW ZEALAND. ACTIVITIES INCLUDE HEALTH SERVICES TO REFUGEES

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ALONG WITH SOME ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRAINING AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING (CARPET WEAVING). SERVE WOULD LIKE TO INVOLVE ITSELF IN MORE INNOVATIVE DIRECTIONS IN THE FUTURE, PRIMARILY THE PROVISION OF ENERGY-EFFICIENT STOVES, INCLUDING SOLAR COOKERS, AND REFORESTATION WITH FAST GROWING VARIETIES IN AREAS DENUDED AS A DIRECT RESULT OF REFUGEE PRESENCE.

11. A) SWEDISH COMMITTEE FOR AFGHANISTAN

B) ADMINISTRATOR: SAMAD KHADRY (AFGHAN)

C) 15-A GULMOJAR ROAD, UNIVERSITY TOWN, PESHAWAR

D) TELEPHONE 40953

E) STAFF: EXPATS - 2; PAKISTANI/AFGHAN 65 (EST.)

F) FUNDED BY A NUMBER OF AGENCIES AND COMMITTEES IN NORTH-ERN AND WESTERN EUROPE. ORGANIZATION PRIMARILY CONCERNED

WITH TREATMENT OF WAR VICTIMS/WAR WOUNDED INSIDE OF AFGHAN-ISTAN. PROVIDES COMPREHENSIVE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT TO TRAUM

CLINICS THROUGH ARRANGEMENTS WITH PESHAWAR-BASED AFGHAN

GROUPS. IMMEDIATE CONCERNS FACING THE COMMITTEE ARE

SECURING A STEADY OR AT LEAST, PREDICTABLE FLOW OF FUNDS

FROM ABROAD; ENLISTMENT OF QUALIFIED PHYSICIANS; OBTAINING

SERVICES OF A QUALIFIED NEUROLOGIST FOR WORK WITH AFGHAN

WAR WOUNDED.

12. A) UNION AID

B) ADMINISTRATOR: DR. TOURYALAY NASSERY (AFGHAN)

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C) HOUSE NO. 4 CANAL ROAD, PESHAWAR

D) TELEPHONE 41252

E) STAFF: 40 AFGHAN PROFESSIONALS

F) UNION AID BEGAN RELIEF OPERATIONS IN APRIL OF 1980.

ESTABLISHED BY AFGHANS TO SERVE AFGHANS, UNION AID IS

FUNDED BY PRIVATE SECTOR AGENCIES, GROUPS AND COMMITTEES

IN FRG, JAPAN, FRANCE AND USA (DOOLEY FOUNDATION,

AMERICARES). THE AGENCY OPERATES SEVEN MOBILE HEALTH UNIT

IN PESHAWAR AND MARDAN AND CONDUCTS SUPPLEMENTARY FEEDING

IN THE CAMPS AS WELL. UNION AID IS DEEPLY INVOLVED IN

CROSS-BORDER OPERATIONS AND OFFERS 3 MONTH TRAINING COURSE

FOR AFGHAN PARA-MEDICS TREATING WAR VICTIMS INSIDE OF

AFGHANISTAN. IT ALSO PROVIDES GRADUATES WITH MEDICAL

SUPPLIES. THE AGENCY IS HAVING FINANCIAL PROBLEMS, DUE IN

PART TO FACTIONALISM, AND IS SEEKING ADDITIONAL DONORS.

13. OTHER VOLAGS. A NUMBER OF OTHER PRIVATE VOLUNTARY

ORGANIZATIONS ASSIST AFGHAN REFUGEES, BUT TO A LESSER

DEGREE. THESE INCLUDE (FOR THE NORTH WEST FRONTIER) THE

KUWAITI RED CRESCENT (RELIEF COMMODITIES), THE SEVENTH DAY

ADVENTISTS (DENTAL CARE), THE GERMAN AGENCY FOR TECHNICAL

COOPERATION (GTZ - GESELLSCHAFT FUR TECHNISCHE ZUSAMMENAR-
BEIT) (TWO DOCTORS AND MEDICAL TEAMS), AND, OFF AND ON, TH

DANISH REFUGEE COMMITTEE. THE PAKISTANI RED CRESCENT

OPERATES A FEW BASIC HEALTH UNITS IN THE CAMPS AND TRANS-

PORTS WAR CASUALTIES FROM THE AFGHAN BORDER TO PESHAWAR.

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15. COMMENT. DURING OUR RECENT CONTACTS WITH THE VOLAGS
IN PRE-
PARING THIS REPORT ALL WELCOMED THE GOP'S RECENT ASSIGNMEN

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OF NEW PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONERS FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES IN THE
NWFP AND BALUCHISTAN. THE VOLUNTARY AGENCIES HOPE THAT
FEWER BUREAUCRATIC CONDITIONS WILL BE IMPOSED ON THEIR
STAFF AND ACTIVITIES BY THE GOP AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS
GENERALLY THE VOLAGS SEEM TO GET ALONG WELL WITH EACH
OTHER AND WITH PAKISTANIS. THE VOLAGS WILL STRESS PREVENT
IVE MEDICAL MEASURES IN THE FUTURE NOW THAT BASIC CURATIVE
CARE IS IN PLACE. MANY PVO PERSONNEL EXPRESSED EAGERNESS
TO ASSIST WAR VICTIMS ACROSS THE BORDER IN AFGHANISTAN.
WITH THE NOTABLE AND RATHER SAD EXCEPTIONS OF AICF AND
UNION AID, THE VOLAGS ARE FAIRLY WELL-FIXED FOR UNDS. AT
LEAST FOR THE PRESENT, AND MORALE IS GENERALLY GOOD. THER
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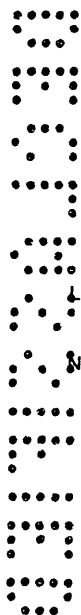
IS LITTLE OF THE BURN-OUT SYNDROME REPORTED FROM TIME TO
TIME IN SOME SOMALI AND SOUTH EAST ASIAN REFUGEE CAMP
OPERATIONS. END COMMENT. KING

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